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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALBAN, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, George Street, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOWE, Duddes Quay, E. C.; BATES, HENRY & CO., 4, Old Jerry, E. C.; SAMUEL DRACON & CO., 160 & 162, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE BOUY, 18, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 183, New Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOWE, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—SCOTT, CAMPBELL & CO., AMY, WILSON, NICHOLS & CO., FREDERIC, HEDDER & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALKER, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

BANKS.

Shanghai Banking Corporation in London, Lombard Street, George Street, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOWE, Duddes Quay, E. C.; BATES, HENRY & CO., 4, Old Jerry, E. C.; SAMUEL DRACON & CO., 160 & 162, Leadenhall Street.

The Loan has been authorised by an Imperial Edict, dated 6th of October, 1877, which has been communicated to the British Legation at Pekin, according to a despatch from the British Consul at Shanghai, dated 20th October, 1877.

The Loan, principal and interest, is specially secured by the hypothecation of the Imperial Maritime Customs Revenue of the Ports of Shanghai, Canton, Ningpo, and Hankow—the four Ports which have the largest Customs Revenue of the Empire—to the extent necessary for the due payment of interest and repayment of principal of the said Loan.

The total Customs Receipts at the Ports named for the past three years have averaged \$2,000,000 per annum, and the total Customs Revenue for the same period at all the Ports in China has averaged \$6,500,000 per annum.

The indebtedness of the Imperial Government only amounts to about \$700,000, of which about £250,000 mature next year. The amounts of the outstanding Loans and the proposed Loan are therefore, together, only £2,200,000, or about two-thirds of one year's Customs Revenue. The payments both of interest and principal on account of outstanding Loans have been duly and punctually met by the Chinese Government.

The special hypothecation of Customs Revenue to meet the charge of the present Loan is constituted by the deposit with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of Customs Bonds, signed by the Chinese authorities of the respective Provinces in which the Ports referred to are situated, and by the European Commissioners at the same Ports, which Bonds will be held by the Bank in trust for the holders of this Loan. These Customs Bonds will be received, in case of need, in payment of Chinese Customs Duties.

The Customs' Revenue available to meet these obligations, and for which they are specially charged, is £2,100,000 per annum.

Certified translations of the official documents authorising the Loan, may be inspected at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, London.

Applications in the annexed form, accompanied by a deposit of £10 per cent., will be received by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 31, Lombard Street, London.

Applications from China, Japan, and Manilla will be received and forwarded by the Hongkong and Shanghai Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Those from the Straits Settlements and India to be sent to London.

Defaulter in payment of any instalment at the due date will render all previous Payments liable to forfeiture.

If no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full; and if only a portion of the amount applied for is allotted, the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the payment of the amount due on allotment, and so on.

Script Certificates to Bearer will be issued against Allotment Letters and Bankers' Receipts, and Bonds to Bearer, when ready, will be exchanged for fully paid-up Script.

Forms of Application can be obtained of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, at their office in London, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1877.

TO BE RETAILED BY THE BANKERS.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN OF 1877.

Authorized by Imperial Edict, dated the 2nd Day of the 9th Moon, of 1877 Year of KWONG-SU, (Oct. 8, 1877.)

£1,604,276. 0. 10 STOCK,

In BONDS of £100 EACH.

Bearing Interest from 1st December, 1877, the first Coupon of £1.68 being payable on 28th February, 1878, and Coupons of £24 being payable thereafter on 31st August and 28th February in each year, until 14th June, 1884, when the last Coupon of £2.68 will be payable.

The Bonds are redeemable at par within seven years (1884) by half-yearly drawings.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN LONDON, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

PRICE OF ISSUE 98 PER CENT.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, 31, Lombard Street, London, as Agents for the Chinese Government, hereby invite Subscriptions for £1,604,276.0.10 of 8 per cent. Bonds at the issue price of 98 per cent. payable as follows:—

20 per cent. on application.

40 " " allotment.

45 " " 16 days after allotment.

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The Bonds will bear interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly on the 28th February and 31st August at the offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in London, Hongkong, and Shanghai. The first Coupon for £1.68 for interest from 1st December, 1877, to 28th February, 1878, will be payable on the latter date, and Coupons of £24 will be payable thereafter on 31st August and 28th February in each year, until 14th June, 1884, when the final Coupon of £2.68 will be payable.

The Bonds will be redeemed at par within seven years (1884) by half-yearly drawings. The balance of £1,604,276 each, the balance of the Loan, £1,604,276.0.10, being paid off on 14th June, 1884.

The Drawings will take place in London in December and June in each year, and the Bonds so drawn will be paid off at par on the succeeding 28th February and 31st August at the offices of the Hongkong and

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NOTES.

FOR SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,
INVITE ATTENTION TO THEIR DISPLAY OF
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND DELICACIES.

DRESSING CASES.

WORK BOXES.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

PRESERVATION INKSTANDS.

PIN TOILET SETS.

STATUETTES.

Handsomely Bound GIFT BOOKS.

FRANCIE DOLLS.

PUZZLES.

THE NEWEST COSAQUE CRACKERS, including.

ORIENTAL COSTUMES.

LE BAL MASQUE.

ELIXIR OF LOVE.

LANCY BOXES OF CHOCOLATE.

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

AND PUDDINGS.

MINCE MEAT.

ELVAS PLUMS.

CRYSTALLISED FRUITS.

BLOOM MUSCATELLS.

FRENCH JAMS.

A FEW CASES OF THE CHOICEST SCOTCH WHISKY,
EVER IMPORTED.

SACCONI'S PURE SHERRIES, at Low Prices.

PURE PORT, LIQUEURS.

CHOICE OLD RYE WHISKY.

Hongkong, December 8, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LAND AND HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale), on

MONDAY,

the 31st December, 1877, at Noon, at their Sales Room, Freya Central, —

the following PIECES OF PARCELS OF GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First. All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office of the remaining portion of INLAND Lot No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on See. on 4 of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 85 feet, and on the West side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$73.01, together with the Messuages or Tenements standing thereon, at present leased by D. RUTTER, Esq.

Second.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poco-folun District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 26, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 22 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$54.40.

Third.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poco-folun District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 30, abutting on the South side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29, on the East side thereof on the road to Aberdeen, and on the North and West sides thereof on a Water Course, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 84 Acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$12; together with a quantity of Building Materials at present contained in and about the houses described as "Belmont" upon the aforementioned Lots.

Name at full length.....

Occupation.....

Date.....

Address.....

Bankers' RECEIPT TO BE RETAINED BY THE APPLICANT.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN OF 1877.

For £1,604,276. 0. 10 STERLING.

No.....

To the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

I request that you will allot me 2.....

of Bonds of the above Loan in accordance with the Prospects issued by you dated.....

..... upon which I have paid the Deposit of..... pounds, being at the rate of 20 per cent., and I engage to accept the said Bonds or any less number you may allot me, and to make the remaining payments thereon in accordance with the Prospects.

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INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

CLAIMS against the S. S. *NEMESIS* for short delivery of cargo, &c., will not be recognized by the Undersigned unless the same be presented on or before the 15th instant.

OLYPHANT & CO., Agents S. S. Nemesis, Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 78.

CHINA SEA.

YANGTZE RIVER—SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

"Lismore" Wreck Light.

NOTICE is hereby given that the "Lismore" Wreck Screw-Pile Tower will be removed as soon as practicable in consequence of the rapid deepening of the water around its foundations.

A fixed Red Light will be shown from the tower as long as possible. On the discontinuance of this light a Red Light and a White Light underneath it will be exhibited from a small junk moored about 400 feet to the N. 22° 30' E. of the present tower.

Woosung Lighthouse.

In consequence of the removal of the above-mentioned Lighthouse, the Red sector of light, formerly exhibited from the Woosung Lighthouse, and over the port side of the channel on entering, will be resumed.

This light will therefore show:

White between the bank of the Yangtze to the westward of the Lighthouse and S. 3° 15' E.

Green between S. 3° 15' E. and S. 5° 53' 45" W.

White between S. 5° 45' W. and S. 7° 30' W., and

Red between S. 7° 30' W. and the left bank of the Woosung River.

The bearings are magnetic and taken from seaward.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

DAVID M. HENDERSON,

Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineer's Office,

Shanghai, December 6, 1877.

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Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessel, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

ARLINGTON, British barque, Captain G. Cunningham.—Wisler & Co.

CILDEBRON, British ship, Captain E. Shrewsbury.—Wiesler & Co.

COLORADO, American ship, Captain Ingraham.—Russell & Co.

KATE CARRIE, British barque, Captain James Wilson.—Melchers & Co.

BROOMHALL, British ship, Captain H. Bate.—Russell & Co.

CHARTER OAK, American ship, Captain Steplex.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FORMOSA, German 8-m schooner, Capt. Schwerin.—Melchers & Co.

PARACCA, British barque, Captain C. Phillips.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson.—Captain.

BIRKIN, British ship, Captain W. Reynolds.—Order.

NELSON, British steamer, Captain Thos. Staples.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

CONSIGNERS of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,

Agent.

Ex Amazon.

S. P. Order, 72 bags Stones, from Madras.

Ex Djemnah.

M T No. 786, Mr Matheson, 1 case Fire Arms, from Marseilles.

W G S No. 1/7 Mr G. W. Scott, 7 cases W B Wine, from Mar-

H. M. S. (Japan), 7 cases.

Mr J. Ridley, 1 case Effects, from Formosa.

London—Hongkong, December 6, 1877.

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To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS".

Captain G. D. FITMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 14th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., Hongkong, December 12, 1877.

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Taking Tea and other cargo at through rates and under freight Bills of Lading for Chicago, New York and all Eastern Places.

The British Ship

"CLUEVEN"

SHREWSBURY, Master, will be despatched above on or before 10th January proximo.

Rate of Freight to San Francisco, \$2.50 per ton.

Through Rate, \$2 and Eastern Rates.

For Freight apply to WOOGEL, HAGEDORN & CO., Hongkong, December 12, 1877.

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THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The Transfer Books of this Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

OLYPHANT & CO.,

General Agents,

Hongkong, December 12, 1877.

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CHARTERS EFFECTED.

The following charters have been effected during the last few days:

German bark Coquette, 281, hence to Salgon, \$450 in full.

German bark Mikado, 330, hence to Batavia and Samarang, \$1,400 in full, 20 day charter.

Italian bark Bianca Perla, 666, hence to Touren, \$1,400 in full, 30 day.

German bark C. R. Bishop, 838, Manila to London or Liverpool, or to New York, private.

British ship Hawkesbury, 1175, Manila to New York, private.

British bark Paracca, 464, Manila to London or Liverpool, private.

British steamer Marca, 1030, hence to Salgon and back, \$6,100 in full, 15 day charter.

German steamer Cassandra, hence to Salgon and back, 6 voyages, 24 cents per picul.

German steamer Atalanta, 782, hence to Salgon, 6 voyages, 22 cents per picul.

German steamer Altona, hence to Salgon and back, 6 voyages, 23 cents per picul.

British steamer Marca, 1,060, monthly charter, 4 or 6 months, private.

French bark St. Adreas, 622, hence to San Francisco and back via Puget Sound, private.

Danish ship Doris Broderson, 547, cleared for Rangoon under orders from Home.

British bark Mangerton, 330, hence to Quinhon and back, 20 cents per picul, 35 day days.

British brig Victory, 255, hence to Bangkok, \$620 in full.

American bark Wealthy Pendleton, 810, Keelung to Hongkong, \$1.20 per ton of 20 cwt.

Woosung Lighthouse.

In consequence of the removal of the above-mentioned Lighthouse, the Red sector of light, formerly exhibited from the Woosung Lighthouse, and over the port side of the channel on entering, will be resumed.

The bearings are magnetic and taken from seaward.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

DAVID M. HENDERSON,

Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineer's Office,

Shanghai, December 6, 1877.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 12, Hankwang, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 12, Nelson, British steamer, 895, Thos. Staples, Penang Dec. 6, via Singapore, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Dec. 12, Chinkiang, British steamer, 700, Orr, Sydney Nov. 18, Cooktown 22, and Somerset 23, Coal.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 12, Jacobin, for Saigon.

12, Hoi Ching Ching, for a cruise.

12, Jar, for Sourabaya.

12, Monetore, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Wash, for Haiphong.

Three Brothers, for Quinhon.

Empress, for Melbourne.

Stratford, for Calcutta.

Yottong, for Hollow & Haiphong.

R. N. Corlett, for Honolulu.

Norma, for Chefoo.

Blankeness, for Chefoo.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Chinkiang, from Sydney, &c., Capt. and Mrs. Steven, and 150 Chinese.

Per Nelson, from Penang, &c., 301 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Menelaus, for Shanghai, 5 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Nelson reports: Moderate monsoon with strong sea and current throughout the passage.

The British steamer Chinkiang reports: Left Sydney at 10 a.m. on the 18th Nov. Arrived in Cooktown at 11 a.m. of 20th, and left at 4 a.m. on the 22nd. Arrived at Somerset at 10 a.m. of 25th. Arrived in Hongkong at 1.30 p.m. on the 12th Dec. Had light variable winds throughout. On 26th Nov., spoke the S. S. Bowen bound for Sydney.

CARGO.

Per S. S. Gavator, sailed 6th December, 1877.—For London: from Canton, 20 bags Raw Silk, and 11 cases Silks; from Canton and Macao, 22,152 boxes containing 136,135 lbs. Congow, 287,864 lbs. Scented Caper, and 57,038 lbs. So. Or. Pakoe—Total 480,532 lbs; from Shanghai, 1,265 half-chests and 31 pkgs. Tea, 1,085 bales Raw Silk, 35 bales Waste Silk, and 2 cases Silks; from Yokohama, 299 bales Raw Silk, For Continent: from Canton, 266 bales Raw Silk, and 261 bales Cocoons; from Shanghai, 20 half-chests Tea, and 661 bales Raw Silk; from Yokohama, 361 bales Raw Silk; For Boston: from Shanghai, 892 half-chests and 120 pkgs. Tea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:

For SHANGHAI.

Per HANKWANG, at 8.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 18th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

Per DOUGLAS, at 8 p.m. To-morrow, the 18th inst.

For MANILA.

Per EMERALDA, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday, the 14th inst.

For ILOILO.

Per Big HIERONIMUS, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, the 14th inst.

For SAIGON.

Per MARCIA, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 15th inst.

For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO.

Per CITY OF TOKIO, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 22nd inst., instead of as previously notified.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *PIERRE* will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 18th December, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles to Sfax, Singapore, Batavia, Calcutta, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:

Wednesday, 12th December.

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Offices close except the Natives Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 13th December.

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters closes.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m. when the Post Office closes entirely.

Hongkong, November 29, 1877.

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POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *THIRTEEN* will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 20th instant.

him; the Endowed Schools Commission found that whilst at first this meant a good suit of clothes it had latterly been reduced to a mungo-cap which it was gravely contented being a cloth garment for covering fulfilled to the letter the founder's intention.

As with regard to the covering which Government undertakes to provide for the mental nakedness of the Chinese. Finding

it a task of too much "diligence" and "difficulty" to adjust garments to the

moral and spiritual parts of the Mantle

Body, it confines its attention to fitting the

Western head-gear of secular instruction

upon the intellectual head, and calling this

education! The result is about as satis-

factory as would be the fitting of as many

chimney-pots hats upon the heads of the

four hundred scholars who should mean

while retain their otherwise eastern

costume. Doubtless some would be found

ready at the annual parade to pronounce

the incongruous result "the leaves" to

unite England and China—to tell the

pupils that they would find their new

acquisition a great "blessing" and the

finest preparation for assuming the remain-

ing and more essential portions, the moral

and spiritual part of the garment of Chris-

tian lands. *Credit Jugeas non ego.* I

believe that Englishmen still desire as a

people that in some way or another religion

shall be an element in Imperial education.

It would be strange were it otherwise.

For eighteen centuries the Christian Church

has blended inseparably religion with moral and intellectual training, and

the "superstition" of so doing is not de-

stroyed yet, spite of the Government pro-

phesy five years since of its speedy end.

Christianity is the true leaves to pervade

and blend into one the diverse characteris-

tic of human nature. There are many

counterfeits, the most dangerous being that

intellectual instruction whose greatest

triumph is to make Buddhist, Romanist,

Parsee, Jew and Confucianist sit at the

same desk with Protestants in unshaded

union over-class books from which the

Redeemer's name has been erased. This

exclusion is not neutrality, it is hostility.

It is a decision in favour of those who be-

lieve nothing, against those who believe

the truth. It may, with polite subserve-

nce, be called a "blessing" by those who

consider religion a mere appanage of the

State; but to those who regard it as an

essential in daily life, this simply secular

instruction will ever appear one of the

worst evils. Let the State go on if it will,

usurping in its educational efforts the true

office of the Church, the dragon's teeth so

sown will assuredly one day germinate

with unexpected results. A century since

the world learned what ignorance and ir-

religion can effect in the way of destruction,

but we have yet to see the outburst of

trained intellect, apart from the gentle in-

fluence of religion, casting away the re-

straints of packthread morality, the fear of

the policeman and the courts of justice,

and wreaking its mad rage against all that

is holy, good and true. In writing thus I

disclaim all desire of pulling down the

Central School; rather would I see it ame-

ded so as to be equal to the really good

work which would then be for it a possibility.

And so far am I from desiring to arrogate

for any one Church a right over another,

that with Archer Buller I would rejoice

over the Christian teaching of the most

wayward sectary as infinitely preferable to

the religious nihilism which now unhappily

prevails. Having thus expressed my own

opinions and those of some who like myself

disapprove of and are dissatisfied with the

system of which the Central School is the

outcome, I bid adieu to the subject, and

Remain, Sir, your etc.,

A. B. HUTCHINSON, C.M.S.

SPORTING.
(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL")

Hongkong, Dec. 12, 1877.

Sir.—It may interest some of your sport-
ing readers to learn that Ponies have at
last commenced to arrive, to be trained for
our next Race meeting.

Yesterday I saw three, evidently just
landed. Two of them, (white and iron
grey) are nice-looking Griffins, and I imagine
that they come from Mongolia, as they
have the usual long hair and tail, and also
the unmistakeable Mongolian Mark.

The other is a Pony that has already
run, "The Doctor," but what he is brought
back for, it is difficult to say, as (whatever
his Owner thinks,) his form is not winning
race.

I am, Sir,

A ROAD WALKER.

Police Intelligence.
(Both Magistrates sitting.)

12th Dec. 1877.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

Tsang Tso Chiu, head messenger or office
boy in the General Post Office, was again
charged on remand.

Mr H. L. Denny appeared to watch the
case on behalf of the accused. Mr Lister was
again called and further deposed:—I pro-
posed placing a man in the box as a witness
who is known in the Post Office as No. 8
postman; his name is Kwong Wing. The
last time I saw him was on Monday after-
noon (the 10th instant); he was then in the
Post Office, and I had some conversation
with him about the case, and in consequence
of what I said to him, I expected to see him
as this Court at 9 o'clock yesterday morn-
ing. He did not come here; I was called
but did not appear. I have not seen him
since, he has absented himself from his
duty and owes 62 cents to the office. The
62 cents should be handed on in Friday
next. He is not secured; the com-
plainor is responsible for the coolie, that is
to say no coolie would be employed that he
did not recommend, but there is no monetary
security. The No. 8 coolie was employed
special with Indian letters. I have made
every possible efforts to find him. I have
not instructed the Police to find him. I
searched his box and found nothing of
value except some registered letter receipts
which he would have handed in next Fri-
day. Without the evidence of the absence
I have no charge against the prisoner, ex-
cepting so far as that he could not have
got hold of the letters without the knowl-
edge of the prisoner or two others of his
immediate superiors. I should ask you to
issue a warrant for the apprehension of the
No. 8 coolie.

Mr May said he could not do that unless
Mr Lister could show that he had any
specific charge.

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If Mr Lister was prepared to say that he
could positively produce this absence on
Friday, he (Mr Denny) would not object, but
otherwise it would be doing the prisoner a
great injustice.

Mr May said that he understood Mr
Lister to say that the coolie could not have
got possession of the letters without the
knowledge of the prisoner or one of two
other persons.

Mr Denny asked if Mr Lister was pre-
pared to swear that it was not possible, he
(Mr Denny) would not say, probable, for
the coolie to have got possession, felonious

or otherwise, of the letters.

Mr Lister said he was not. It was
barely possible. He (Mr Lister) said he
believed the No. 8 coolie had left the

Post Office. He had been employed 6 or 8 years at the

Post Office.

Mr Denny said he would like to call the
attention of the Court to the practice of
Magistrates with regard to remands. It was
not usual to remand a case for more than
eight days, and unless Mr Lister was prepared
to produce his witness by the expiration of
that time, the prisoner was undoubtedly
entitled to his discharge.

Mr May said that practice only applied
to one remand; a Magistrate could remand
a case as often as he thought reasonable.
He did not think he would be justified in
discharging the prisoner, but would remand him
for one week, admitting him to ball in
two house-holders of \$200 each.

ANOTHER CHARGE.

The prisoner was then charged with at-
tempting to steal postage stamps from a
letter addressed to Bombay, on or about
the 8th of November.

Alfred Lister, sworn:—I am Postmaster
General; the prisoner is head messenger.
It is part of the duty of the prisoner to
obliterate the stamps of letters which I
weigh and examine, and this he does under
my own observation, but if I was suddenly
called away he would be left by himself.

My attention has been, recently called to
whole robberies of obliterated stamps from
letters already examined, passed, sorted,
and put up in the bags. These obliterated
stamps I have reason to believe have been
stolen. The 2nd defendant was subse-
quently apprehended and admitted that he
had hired the 1st defendant to carry the
stamps. In defence 2nd defendant said he
had been engaged all day in carrying the
stamps to the bags.

ANOTHER CHARGE.

Wong Ah, a coolie, and Au Acheung, a
hawker, were charged as follows:—Chinese
Constable (No. 162) said that at about 2
p.m. yesterday he saw the first defendant
carrying two baskets which apparently con-
tained something heavy. He (witness)
stopped him, and he said he had been
hired by a man to carry the baskets. On
opening them, they were found to contain a quantity (about 80 catties)
of sheet lead. The 2nd defendant was
subsequently apprehended and admitted
that he had hired the 1st defendant to
carry the baskets. In defence 2nd defendant
said he had bought the lead from a
boatman; he could not find him. Mr May
discharged the 1st defendant, and the 2nd
was fined 40 shillings or 21 days hard
labour for unlawful possession.

DRUNK.

Andrew Lam, a seaman unemployed,
was charged on the 10th instant with being
excessively drunk. He appeared to be in
danger of delirium tremens, so Mr May
remanded him until to-day (the 12th inst.)
He was meanwhile sent to the Captain of the
Barge, as he said that he could get a
passage in her. When brought up to-day
Mr May discharged him.

A HUNGRY THIEF.

Chong Asan, a coolie, was charged with
stealing a piece of pork which was hanging
outside a shop at Tsimshingan. The owner
of the pork said that the defendant said
he was very hungry, and he looked so
neitherless he (witness) gave him into
custody.

Four previous convictions were proved
against the defendant, so Mr May sentenced
him to two months' hard labour.

AN IMPUDENT SERVANT.

Tam A-yan, a chair coolie, employed by
J. d'Almeida e Castro, a clerk employed
at the Government Office and residing at
No 3 Hollywood Road, was charged as
follows:—Mr Almeida e Castro sworn said
that the defendant was employed by him
as a chair coolie. During last month he
accidentally broke a Japanese tray valued
about 75 cents. Witness paid the defendant
about 75 cents. Defendant was dis-
charged on the 10th instant and was not
paid the full amount of wages due, and the
defendant then said he would take out
a summons, when witness told him to do
so. On the morning of the 11th the defendant
want to witness' house with his
security; the latter understood all about
the matter, and at defendant's request a
dollar was handed to the security, who was
to buy a similar tray to the one broken.
The defendant returned to the witness'
house about 9 a.m. and used most insulting
and highly improper language to both witness
and his wife, and threatened to drag
witness to the Police Station, if he did not
at once pay the balance of his wages. Witness
left his house to go to the office, and defendant
followed, obstructing the way and using
very insulting language. Witness told his
servant to direct the defendant to go to his
security. This morning the defendant
again went to witness' house and entered
his bedroom, at the same time making use
of most violent and offensive language. He (defendant)
said he had nothing to do with his
security, and if witness did not pay him
he would drag him (witness) to the
Police Station. Defendant was dis-
charged on the 11th instant.

Mr May said it did not matter what the
prisoner was charged with on the charge-
sheet; if the charge on the charge-sheet was
substantiated, well and good; if not, whatever
charge dropped up would be proceeded
with. If he (Mr May) remained here for
the next twenty-five years he would con-
tinue the practice.

The examination was then proceeded with.
The prisoner and witness were both in the
Post Office. Witness was at one table and
the prisoner at the other; witness had a
bundle of letters the stamps of which had
been obliterated, and amongst them he
found one that had not been obliterated.
It was witness' duty to take out letters for
Bombay, and arrange them in position on a table for examination.
The letters he found unoblitiated were a small one, it had 2 or 3 stamps on it.
He took it to the prisoner's table and
obliterated it; the prisoner saw him, and
said "Why did you spoil that letter?"
Every table, except witness', had one of
the stamps used for obliterating. Witness
did not reply to the prisoner's question.

Mr Lister then put a leading question
to the witness, to which Mr Denny ob-
jected, and Mr May admitted that the objection
was proper.

Witness continued:—He took the letter
back to his (witness') own table. Prisoner
never said anything more to witness.

Mr Denny said at this stage asked that
the prisoner be discharged on this charge,
unless Mr Lister was prepared to produce further
evidence.</

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM-POB.
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
ALSO,
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CAL-
CUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 13th December, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *PELHO*, Commandant LINCOLN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 12th December, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUET,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean
Ports, Southampton,
and London,
Also,
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and
Australia.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY's Steamship
THEBET, Captain TORBOCK, will leave
this Port on THURSDAY, the 20th December,
at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London, will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and Valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 11, 1877.

U. S. MAIL LINE

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. MAIL Steamer *CITY OF
TOKIO* will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATUR-
DAY, the 22nd Instant, at Noon, taking
Passengers, and Freight for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage: Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

A REDUCTION OF TWENTY-PER
CENT on regular rates is granted to
OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY,
AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND
CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., 31st Instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the Office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Concierge Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to
the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

U.S. MAIL LINE

THE CHINA MAIL

COMPANY.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL

UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GABRIEL" will be de-
spatched for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on FRIDAY, the 4th January, 1878, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m., 31st December, 1877. PARCEL
PAKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETIRED PAS-
SENGER TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 27, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, December 12, 1877.

For Sale.

COAL.

THE BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM
COAL for Sale, at Godown,
Apply to
BATTLES & Co.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

FOR SALE.

SECTIONS B & C OF INLAND LOT
No. 51, Area 9880 Square Feet.
With the 7 DWELLING HOUSES
erected thereon, Nos. 35, 37, 39, 41, 43,
45, and 47, WYNDHAM STREET. Annual
Ground Rent, \$105.

INLAND Lot, No. 20,
Measuring to the North 80 ft. Area
South 58 ft. 14,720
East 201 ft. Square
West 107 ft. feet.

With the 4 DWELLING HOUSES
erected thereon.
2 Fronting COUGH STREET
2 Fronting HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
Annual Crown Rent, \$174.64.

For particulars apply to

J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 1, 1877.

FOR SALE.

SHAM BEN CANTON.

THE Desirable PROPERTY known as
Lot No. 46, consisting of Commodious
DWELLING HOUSE, OFFICES and
SILK GODOWN.

For particulars, apply to
G. M. SMITH,
Canton.
October 15, 1877.

Notices of FIRMS.

NOTICE.
M. R. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY
was admitted a PARTNER in our
Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself
at this Port as a GENERAL COM-
MISSION AGENT.

J. Y. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Business of SHARE and GENE-
RAL BROKER, hitherto conducted
in my name, will now be carried on under
the style of COHEN & HEATON, Mr
ALEXANDER MACGLASHAN HEATON
having This Day become a PARTNER
therin.

CHAS. C. COHEN.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day admitted M. WILLIAM
LEGGE as a PARTNER in my Business,
which will henceforth be conducted under
the Style of HUGHES & LEGGE.

W. KERFOOT HUGHES.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

M. R. JAMES AYTON MANN is auth-
orized to Sign our Firm by Procur-
ation.

GEPP & Co.
Canton, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself at
this Port as MERCHANT and GENE-
RAL COMMISSION AGENT.

W. SCHRIEVER.
Haiphong, November 2, 1877.

Notices of FIRMS.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of
the HONGKONG HOTEL, the pre-
sent Five-yearly Lease, expiring on the 31st
August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to
be sent on or before the 31st March,
1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong
HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply
any information required.

By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

W. BALE,
CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET
REQUISITES, PATENT MED-
ICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,
and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.

Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY,
IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at
the Rate of FIVE TABLES per
SHARE will be made to Shareholders of
record on the 1st October, Payable at the
Office of the Liquidation, on the 8th Inst.

Warrants will be delivered by the Under-
signed to Shareholders of their lawful
representatives on presentation of Share
Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th
Instant, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

Intimations.

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VICTORIA & B. G. G. T. A.

TWENTY-SECOND MEETING.

FRI DAY AND SATURDAY,
21st and 22nd December, 1877.

At the FATHERS,

His EXCELLENCY JOHN POPE HEN-

NESSY, O. M. G.

VIC-PATRON,

COMMODORE WATSON, R. N.

STEWARDS,

H. B. GIBB, Esq.

W. H. BURKE, Esq.

H. HOPKINS, Esq.

G. B. EMORY, Esq.

COMMITTEE,

T. JACKSON, Esq., CHAIRMAN.

Major BRODRIGUE, 28th Regt.

W. H. HYNES, Esq.

A. P. MCKEEAN, Esq.

H. E. WODEHOUSE, Esq.

C. V. SMITH, Esq.

E. BEATT, Esq.

H. M. SCHULZ, Esq.

D. G. TRAVERS, Esq.

Hon. Secy, Victoria Recreation Club.

Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

NOTICE.

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER
MANUFACTURERS,

AND

JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS
AND BOOKS.

46, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

DUDLEY C. TRAVERS, Esq.,
Secretary.

JUDGE,

J. P. MOELEN, Esq., R. N.

JURIES,

ROWING, Hon. C. C. SMITH.

YACHTS, E. BEATT, Esq.

OPEN SAILING BOATS, E. BURNIE, Esq.

STARTERS, Hon. Q. C. SMITH.

ROWING, E. BEATT, Esq.

YACHTS, E. BEATT, Esq.

OPEN SAILING BOATS, E. BURNIE, Esq.

FIRST RACE, 1 P.M.

For Men-of-War Gigs and Whalers, Dis-
tance One Mile, Entrance \$1. First
Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. No time allowed
for Oars.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.